



SATURDAY February 11. 1720.

**T**HE World being in daily Expectation of a full Discovery of the greatest Scene of Wickedness, which any Nation ever yet groined under, we have deferred the Letter, partly promised in our last, till next Week, the present Occasion obliging us to exhibit the honest Men of all Parties, to be no longer decoyed and diverted from their just Revenge, by the usual Artifices and State Frauds of Party Leaders, but to join Hand and Heart, in punishing the most enormous Guilt ever yet perpetrated by Men.

To the Author of the London Journal.

SIR,



HE wife Sanchez Pancha desired that his Subjects in the promised Island, might be all Blacks, because he would sell them. And this seems to be the first model, and, as I think, the only reasonable Desire of the Leaders of all Parties; for no Men will be at the Expence and Fatigue, of Body and Conscience, which is necessary to lead a

Fellow, only to be disturbed and annoyed by them.

A very great Authority has told us, that 'tis worth no Man's time to leave a Party, unless he can now and then get good Jobs by it. This I can safely say has been the constant Principle and Practice of many leading Patriots ever since I have been capable of observing publick Transactions, the *primam Mobile*, the *Alpha* and *Omega* of all their Actions: They all professed to have in view only the Publick Good, yet every one showed he only meant his own; and all the while the great as well as little Mob, the *procerum turba Mobiliun*, contend as fiercely for their Leaders, as if their Happiness or Misery depended upon the *Phia*, the *Clashes*, or *Tale* of the Persons who robbed and betrayed them. Thus the Highwayman, who said to the Traveller, Pray, Sir, leave your Watch and Money in my Hands, or else you will be robbed.

Pound a Fool in a Mortar, and he comes out never the wiser; no Experience will make the Bulk of Mankind so, or put them upon their Guard; they will be caught over and over again by the same Baits and state Stratagems: No sooner are a Party betrayed by one Head, but they rail at him, and set up another; and when he has served them in the same manner, they choose a *Third*, and put full Confidence in every one of them successively, tho' they all make the same Use of their Credulity, that is, put a Price upon their Calves Heads, and sell them; which, however, they have the less Reason to complain of, because they would have all done the same.

I assure you, Sir, that I have not the least Hopes in this Letter, to make Men honest, but I would gladly teach them a little more Wit; that is, I would advise any one that is contented to be sold, that he receives the Money himself, and takes good Care of *one*, whatever becomes of his Neighbours, *as some dishonest Persons have lately done*. Whatever Bargains are struck up amongst the Betrayers of their Coun-

try, we must find the Money, and pay both Sides. How wise and advantageous would it then be for us, not to interest our selves in the Agreements or Squabbles of ambitious Men, who are building their Fortunes upon our Ruin. Once upon a time, a French Ambassador desired an Audience of the *Grand Visier*, and in pompous French Fullian, notified to him, that his Master had won a great Victory over the Germans; to which that wise Minister answered Laconically, *What is it to me, if the whole Herd of Unbelievers, like Dogs, continually worry one another, so that my Master's Head be safe*.

This Letter of Advice is not intended for those who share already in the publick Spoils, or who like *Jackalls* hunt down the Lyon's Prey, that they may have the picking of the Bones, when their Masters are glutted. But I would persuade the poor, the injured, the distressed People, to be no longer the *Dupes* and *Property* of *Hypocrites* and *Troglodytes*. But very few can share in the Wages of Iniquity, and all the rest must suffer: The People's Interest is the Publick Interest; it signifies the same Thing: Whatever the Betrayers of their Country get, the People must loose; and what is worse, must loose a great deal more than the others can get; for such *Conspiracies* and *Extortions* cannot be successfully carried on; without destroying or injuring Trade, perverting Justice, and corrupting the Guardians of the publick Liberty, and the almost total Dissolution of the Principles of Government.

Few can receive the Advantages arising from publick Misfortunes, and therefore methinks few should desire them. Indeed, I can easily see how Men of desperate Circumstances, or Men guilty of desperate Crimes, can find their Account in a general Confusion of all Things. I can see how those Priests who aim at Tyranny, can find their Interest in the Loss of publick Liberty, in the Restraint of the Press, and by introducing a Religion which destroys Christianity: There are Reasons too at hand, why ambitious Men *per fas & nefas* should grasp at the Possession of immense Wealth, high Honours, and exorbitant Power, but that the Gentry, the Body of a People in a free Nation, should become the Tools and Instruments of *Knaves* and *Pickpockets*, should lift themselves in their Quarrels, and fight their Battles, and this too often at the Expence, and by the Violation of good Neighbourhood, near Relation, private Friendship; that Men of great Estates and Quality, for small and trifling Considerations, and sometimes none at all, should prosecute wild, villainous Projects, to the Ruin of themselves and Country, by making precarious their own Titles to their Lives, Estates and Liberties, is

same.

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Something to be apprehended, that it must be thought impossible, if daily experience did not convince us, that it is more than possible.

I have often seen honest Tories foolishly defending knavish Tories, and unprincipled Whigs protecting corrupt Whigs, even in instances where they acted against the Principles of all Whigs; and by that means depraved Whiggism it self, and gave the stupid Head occasion to believe they had no Principles at all, but were only a factious Combination for Preterment and Power.

It is high time, at last, for the Bubbles of all Parties, for Whigs and Tories, for High Church and Low Church, to come to an *Abolishment*, and no longer suffer themselves to be bought and sold by their *Leaders*: Let them cease to be Calves and Sheep, and they will not be used like Calves and Sheep. If they can be persuaded now and then to counter Notice, they will find that for the most part the Differences between them are not material; that they take only different Measures to attain the same Ends; that they have but one common Interest, which is the Interest of their Country, and that to be freed from Oppression, and to punish their Oppressors; while I reflect, on the contrary, will always be to form Parties, and blow up Factions to mutual Animosities, that they may find Protection in spite Annihilates.

Let us not therefore hereafter suffer our selves to be set together by the hair, and make Crows, which are the Harbours of all Knaves: Let us learn to value an honest Man or honest Party more than a Knave or our own: Let the only Contention be, who shall be most ready to spew out their own Regrets, and I will be inflexible in all other Differences will soon be at an end. Indeed there had been no such thing as Party now in England, if we had not been betrayed by those we trusted.

Through the Villany and Knavish Designs of Leaders, this Nation has lost several glorious Opportunities of rescuing the Constitution, and restoring it upon a firm and solid Basis; let us not therefore by the like Practices, lose the present favourable Offer: Let us make Harnings of our Misfortunes, and accept our Calamities as an Opportunity thrown into our laps by indulgent Providence, to save our selves; and not again foolishly and ungratefully reject and spurn at the Instructions and Invitations of Heaven to preserve our Peace and Country.

*Archibald* tells us, that no Government can long subsist, but by recurring often to its first Principles; but this can never be done while Men live at Ease and in Luxury, for then they cannot be persuaded to see distant Dangers, or which they feel so far: The Conjurators project for such Reformations, as when Men are awakened by Misfortunes, and terrified with the Approach and near View of present Evils, then they ask for Remedies, and their Minds are prepared to receive them, to hear Reason, and to fall into any Measures proposed by wise Men for their Security.

The great *Archibald*, just quoted, informs us what Measures and Expedients are necessary to save a State under such Urgencies: He tells us, as a Tyranny cannot be established, but by destroying *Brutus*, so a free Government is not to be preserved, but by destroying *Junius's* Sons: Let us therefore put on a Resolution equal to the mighty Occasion: Let us exert a Spirit worthy of Britons, worthy of Freemen, who deserve Liberty: Let us take Advantage of the Opportunity, while Men's Remorsements last long, while lesser Animosities seem to be laid aside, and most Men are sick of Party and Party Leaders; and let us by all dismal Melancholy exemplify *Junius's* Parables, and avowed Enemies of a Mankind.

Let neither private Acquaintance, personal Alliance, or Party Combination stand between us and our Duty to our Country: Let all those who have a common Interest in the publick Safety, join in common Measures to defend the publick Safety: Let us pursue to Diligence, Destruction, and even Death, those who have brought this Ruin upon us, let them be ever so great, or ever so many: Let us stamp, and deep engrave in Characters legible to all Europe at present, and to all Posterity hereafter, what Vengeance is due to Crimes, which have no less Objects in view, than the Ruin of *Nations*, and the Destruction of *Mankind*: They have made many Fools, depraved and wicked Attempts to destroy us, let us strike our honest and bold Stroke to destroy Them.

Two the Designs of the *Conjurators* should be laid deep as the Center, tho' they should raise Hell or self in their Quarrel, and should fetch Legions of Votaries from thence to avow their Proceedings, yet let us not leave the pursuit till

we have their Skins and their Estates: We know by past Experience, that there are those amongst us, who will be glad to quit the Chase, when our *Vulcans* like *Easters*, drop what they are hunted for; but the Nation is now too much provoked, and too much injur'd to suffer themselves to be again to betray'd.

We have Heaven to direct us, a glorious King to lead us, and a wise and faithful Parliament to assist and protect us: Whilst we have such a King, and such a Parliament, every worthy Briton cries out aloud for Vengeance, and

*Maurus hoc mimica Tyrannis*

*Ense petit placidam, sub libertate quietem.*

*I am, &c.*

Your old Friend,

CATO.

#### FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

THE Plague continues to rage in a very violent Degree in France, and to spread on all Sides, in a Manner that leaves them no Hopes of its abating in haste. It is got within a very few Leagues of *Mompelien*, and the remotest Towns begin now to be very apprehensive of its Approaches.

Things seem to be regularly tending to the Opening the Congress of Cambray; many of the foreign Ministers are already arrived, and more are daily expected; so that if no new Obstruction should interfere, 'tis not doubted but that it will be formed by the Middle of March at farthest.

Spain affords us little more, than an Assurance that there has not been any Action in Africa, since the 21<sup>st</sup> of December last, as had been reported; which indeed seems more to be owing to the Conduct of the *Marquis de Lede*, who keeps himself close within his Entrenchments, than to any Backwardness of the Moors to come to Blows again; for in short, the latter keep the Spaniards continually upon their Guard, and upon constant Duty to prevent being surprised; they harrahs and alarm them daily, and have several times shown themselves before their Camp, and, as it were, bid the Spaniards Desist, and dare them into the open Field; but it seems the latter know their own Strength too well to run the Risk of a Battle; and in short, they tell us that the Spaniards have already enough of the Moors, and that as soon as they have levelled the Works before *Casas*, they are to leave the Country, and be transported again to Spain.

The Preparations for War go on in the North, and at the same time the necessary Steps are taking for the forming the Congress of Brunswick, in order, if possible, to prevent both the Swedes and Muscovites from making use of the former to each others Disadvantage; but whether those pacifick Measures may be effectual or not, is no other way to be determined, but by waiting the Issue of the first Consultations, which 'tis thought a few Weeks may produce us.

They talk very much again of the Duke of Holstein Gottorp's Marriage with a Russian Princess, and that he will in this Case be assisted by a powerful Army of Muscovites to assert his Pretensions to the Crown of Sweden; but these Things are so much in Embrio, at present, that they meet with but small Credit, and are esteemed but little more than mere Speculations.

#### L O N D O N.

THE Books are now set up for paying the Prize Money of the Spanish M<sup>n</sup> of War, &c. taken in the Mediterranean.

The Judges have appointed their respective Circuits, but the Days for holding Assizes in the several Counties are not yet fixed.

They write from Nottingham, that a Person has been seiz'd there for dispersing the Pretender's Declaration, and is committed to Prison, in order to be Tryed at the approaching Assizes.

Wednesday last came on the Election for Member of Parliament for Cricklade in Wilts in the Room of Jacob Sawbridge Esq; late Director of the South Sea. (expelled the House of Commons) the Candidates were the Honourable Matthew Ducey Merton, Son of the Lord Moreton, and Gore Esq; and the former carried it.

Saturday the Lord Chief Justice Pratt was sworn in Chancellor of the Exchequer.

A Habeas Corpus hath been allowed by the Court of King's Bench, directed to the Keeper of Newgate, to bring up

Major



Major Mackintosh, Brother to the late Brigadier of that Name, in order to pray his Discharge by Council, and submit to the Directions of the Court thereof, he being very old and altogether Friendless.

Last Week one Mr. Wicks, a Half-Pay Officer, was found killed in Racket Court in Fleetstreet; the Person supposed to have done it has made his Escape.

On Sunday Morning last died Thomas Vernon, Esq; an eminent Council at Law, and one of the Knights of the Shire for the County of Worcester.

'Tis said, that the Reverend Mr. Martin Benson is made Arch-deacon of Berks, and Prebendary of the Cathedral Church of Salisbury, in the Room of the late Mr. Talbot, Son to the Bishop of that Diocese.

The unaccountable Behaviour of Sir John Blunt on Saturday last before the House of Lords, affords Matter of divers Speculations: Some think, that to fortify himself to speak the more freely, he took so much of the exhilarating Juice, that he could hardly speak at all; but we are told, this is a Mistake: Some think he was afraid of contradicting what he had delivered before the Honourable Committee, and therefore would say nothing further: Others think he had a more pernicious Design, viz. by such a Conduct to provoke the Lords to commit him, when he was already a Prisoner of the House of Commons, and so to endeavour to create a Misunderstanding between the Two Houses; but he that as it will, it is believed that it will have no other Effect than to pull down just Vengeance on his own Head.

Monday Morning the Bristol and Gloucester Mails were Robed again by one Highwayman, who is a Thin Man of a middle Size, and afterwards Rode towards London, on a Sorrel Horse.

The new Man of War of 70 Guns, which is building at Deptford, in the Room of the Duford, that was some time since lost in the Mediterranean, will be launched by the latter end of next Month.

Capt. John Dorrel, one of the Gentlemen who, upon the late Election of South-Sea Directors, declined that Office, is since dead.

Last Friday, Capt. Thomas Hedges went from the Jamaica Coffee House in Cornhill about 8 in the Evening, in order to go home to his House at Mile End, having about him 50 Pounds, which he had that Afternoon received at the Bank, but this unfortunate Gentleman has never since seen his Family, nor has he been heard of from that time to this.

Orders are issued for fitting out a Squadron of 24 Men of War to sail early this Spring to the Baltick, under the Command of Sir John Norris.

We are assured, that Sir John B——nt, and some others of the Particides, acquired vast Sums of Money, by purchasing in January 1719 20. (at which Time their Proposal was not accepted; the Dividend which should be made at the Midsummer following, viz. They gave away 51. to have the *Refusal of the Dividend at 31. per Cent.* And tho' this Play may appear too little and low for such grand Gamblers, yet the Profits from thence were incredible, and in the following Months every Body knows they improved in their Practices to a most wonderful Degree.

There are two Ships to be launched in a short Time, of 1170 Tons each, near Limetown, which were built at the Charge of the French trading to Mississippi.

The Master of a Vessel lately arrived from the Archipelago, reports, that on the 22d of December at Ten at Night, off of Cortica, he saw a great Appearance of Light in the Firmament, and in a Quadrangular Form; which lasted all about an Hour after Midnight, and then went off like the Report of a Cannon.

On Sunday Night, between the Hours of Nine and Ten, the Right Honourable James Stanhope, Earl Stanhope, Viscount Stanhope of Mahone, Baron of Evesham, Principal Secretary of State, &c. departed this Life; at his House at the Cock-pit, in Whitehall. He was taken ill on Sunday Night of a violent Oppression on his Lungs; and by Bleeding, had some Relief, but it soon returned on him again. He has left Three Children by his Countess, who is Daughter of Thomas Pitt, Esq; formerly Governor of Port St. George, in the East-Indies.

The opening the Transfer Books of the South-Sea Company, which was to have been on Wednesday next, is deferred for sometime.

Letters from Gibraltar, dated the Sixth Instant, confirm the Account we gave in our last, of the Peace being con-

cluded between the King of Great Britain and the Emperor of Morocco.

There are Letters from Holland, which say, that Mr. Knight, Cashier or Treasurer of the South-Sea Company, is apprehended, and is now Prisoner in the Castle of Antwerp; but it wants Confirmation, and seems highly improbable.

On Sunday Morning a Lighter sunk going through Bridge; but a Man and a Boy who were therein, were saved by Boats coming to their Assistance.

On Monday Morning two Running Foot-men run Fourteen times round St. James's Park, for a Wage of One Hundred Guineas; which was performed by the Winner in an Hour and Half's time.

To the Author of the London Journal.

S I R,

IT's a common Reproach upon the British Nation, in the Mouths of all Foreigners, that the Inhabitants of these Islands, are more liable to Bribery, than any other People under the Sun: I need not mention the Memoirs of *Philip de Comines*, who tells us, that all the English Ministers were Pensioners to France, in the Reign of *Edward the Fourth*; and gave Receipts for the several Sums they received, except my Lord *Hastings*, who took the Money, but refused to give it under his Hand, that he had BETRAYED his King and Country.

Our Ancestors seem to have well understood this Temper of our Countrymen, by the severe Laws they made against this detestable Crime; which unless severely punished, might from hence make this flourishing Kingdom, a desert Spot of Ground.

By the Laws of King *Cannus* the Dane, Cap. 13. it is enacted, That if any Judge take a Fee, he shall forfeit his Head to the King.

At the Assizes holden at Lincoln A. 23. E. 7. Sir *William Thorpe*, C. J. of the King's Bench, having taken a Bribe of 90 l. from Five Persons to stay a Writ of *Exigent* against them, the King appointed five Lords to try him for the Bribery: And A. 24. E. 7. Sir *William* was sentenced to be hanged, and all his Lands and Tenements, Goods and Chattels forfeited. This Sentence was afterwards affirmed by the House of Lords, and is warranted by Authority of Parliament A. 20. E. 3.

Thus stood the Law in the Time of Edward the Third. My Lord *Coke* indeed says, this Precedent ought not to be followed; but as he produces no Act of Parliament, that has repealed that Statute of 20. E. 7. we may venture to say the Law stands to this Day: And such as have read the History of the Times, in which my Lord *Coke* lived, will, without much difficulty, find out the Reason why his Lordship would not have this Precedent followed.

The Statute of the 11th of H. 4. commands no Chancellor, Treasurer, Keeper of the Privy Seal, Counsellor to the King, King's Serjeants, or other Officer or Minister of the King, &c. shall take any Bribe, under the Penalty of forfeiting treble the Sum to the King, satisfying the Party, being punished at the King's Pleasure, and of being rendered incapable of any Place of Trust for the future. This Statute likewise gives the 3d Part of the Sum, given as a Bribe, to the Informer, who in this Case sues for himself, as well as for the King; and therefore the King cannot grant a *Noli prosequi*, the Prosecutor having a Right to the third Part given him by Act of Parliament.

This Statute of the 11th H. 4. not having taken any Notice of the 10th E. 3. that Act still remains in Force; for, I think I've heard the Lawyers say, a former Act of Parliament cannot be repealed by a latter, unless by express Words.

By the Statute of the 12 R. 2. If the Lord Treasurer, for any Gift, make any Custom, Comptroller, or any Officer or Minister; this is Bribery. He ought, according to that Statute, make all such Officers and Ministers of the best and most lawful Men, and sufficient for their Education and Knowledge. An excellent Law (says my Lord *Coke*) tending greatly to his Majesty's Advantage, to the good Usage and Encouragement of Merchants, &c. and generally to the Advancement of Commerce, Trade and Traffick. But Bribery has the quite contrary Effects; for, as the same Author observes, they that Buy will Sell.

*Vendit Alexander clavem, alterius sacra:*

*Vendit jure potest. emens ille prius.*

In the 11th Year of King James the First, L. Earl of M. Lord Treasurer of England, being accused by the Commons,

of having taken divers Bribes of the Farmers of the Customs, the Lords gave this remarkable Judgment: 1. That you, L. Earl of M., now Lord Treasurer of England, shall lose all your Office which you hold in this Kingdom. 2. Shall be for ever incapable of any Office, Place or Employment in this State or Commonwealth. 3. That you shall be imprisoned in the Tower of London, during the King's Pleasure. 4. That you shall pay to our Sovereign Lord the King, the Fine of Fifty Thousand Pound. 5. That you shall never sit in Parliament any more. 6. That you shall never come within the Verge of the King's Court.

The Clergy, in all Ages, has the present, have given such convincing Proofs of their Affecting to Money, which is the Parent of Power, that I shall not trouble you with any Examples of Clergymen, who have broke through the most solemn Oaths for the sake of *Self*, only observe, that in King H. the VIII's Time, Sir Thomas More, who was *LORD CHANCELLOR*, and was *arrested* of having taken a Bribe, took Notice, that there was once a poor Vicar in England, but paid part of his Salary to *Wolsey*, who was an *ARCH-BISHOP* in those Days.

I am, SIR,

Your Humble Servant,

CORIO LANUS.

We hear the Lord Carteret will go Ambassador to the Court of France.

They write from Berne, that on the 15th of January, between 11 and 12 at Night, a Globe of Fire was seen in the Air, passing over that City, and fell afterwards at a League's Distance from it. On the 16th, and much at the same Time as before, was seen just here another Globe. On the 17th at Night, a fiery Column was seen over the Tops of the Mountains near that City, and to the Westward of the Fortifications; it seemed to move slowly for some time, till it broke, though without making much Noise: After that, three other fiery Globes were seen, each of which moved through the Air by different Lines till they disappeared.

We hear that a Bill will be brought into Parliament before the End of the Session, to make it Felony for any to give or take a Bribe at the Elections for Members of Parliament.

We hear that the R——— *Tow Lewis*, commonly called *Savage Lewis*, is turned out from being Lecturer to the Parish of St. Clements Dunes; and we are told he stands Candidate with the Reverend Mr. Morris, for Lecturer of the New Church in the Strand; but most of the foresighted Parishioners say he has no share in it.

'Tis said that Sir Theodore Janfen, and Sir John Blunt, have remitted a Million each to foreign Parts.

Mrs. Howard, a Daughter of Col. Howard, is appointed a Maid of Honour to the Princess, in the Place of Mrs. Noel, deceased, who, as 'tis said, broke her Heart for Love of a certain Knight, who has since broke his own.

'Tis said that the Butchers and Poolesters Wives, of the several Markers, within the Bills of Mortality, propose, in a Day or two, to go down in a Body to Westminster, to petition against the Bill for prohibiting the Wear of Callicoes, which are the only People of Contumacious that are like to appear out of the City upon that Occasion.

The last Letters from New, in the West-Indies, bring advice of a very great Mortality raging in that Island, and of the Death of Mr. Penny, one of the richest Merchants in those Parts.

We are assured that it appears upon Enquiry, that most of the kept Mistresses of any Fashion in Town, had Subscriptions and South Sea Stock given them upon the Foot of secret Service, and at the same low Rate as other Pensioners and Bribes received it; but for this, the Managers pretend a Consideration much more valuable with them, than the Good of their Country.

All the Directors of the South-Sea Company have been admitted to Bail, except Three or Four, who were likewise given to the Names of their Sureties, in order to be Bail'd in a Day or Two.

'Tis said, that in the New Charter that is now preparing for the South-Sea Company, there is a Clause, which directs an Election of Eight new Directors, (the same Number going out of the Old) into a Year.

John Dorril, Henry Herring, and Gabriel Roberts Esq. three of their Interest in the List of the South-Sea Directors in our last, having declined that Employment, Charles Le

Bas, William Brook, and Edmond Kempe Esq. are chose in their room.

We are told, that it appears that the late Directors of the South-Sea, bought up vast Quantities of Stock for the Company at high Prices, under Pretence of supporting the Publick Credit of the Company, and at the same time, gave Orders to the Brokers to sell out their own Stock, which was the *Market* they took to raise the Market for their own private Advantage.

We hear, that Two Millions and a half of Pounds, making about Two Hundred and fifty Thousand Pound Sterling, has been lately seized on Board an English Vessel at Rotterdam, on Suspicion of belonging to some of the late Directors of the South-Sea Company, or those that engaged them, and that the same has been sent to the Government here.

Last Week one Mr. Power, who is very rich and very old, being about Eighty Years of Age, and worth as many Thousand Pounds, entered into the comfortable State of Matrimony with a young Lady not yet Twenty, who, for Reasons best known to the Lady, has thought fit thus to throw her self into a State of Penitence and Mortification.

On Sunday Night there was a General Council at St. James's, where a Proclamation was ordered to be published, for Ships performing Quarantine, according to the new Act of Parliament, the Old one expiring the 10th inst.

Col. Mackintosh, mentioned above, was on Saturday last, carried from Newgate to the King's Bench Bar, Westminster, where he moved to be admitted to Bail, but he was remanded back to Prison, and his Case deferred to the next Term.

Last Saturday one Lowden, Journeyman to a Goldsmith, who had been convicted for publishing that treacherable Pamphlet, call'd, *For Regal For Deu*, was brought to the King's Bench Bar, at Westminster, to receive Sentence, and in Consideration of his seeming Penitence and Sorrow for his Crime, and of his Circumstances, the Court only fined him Fifty Marks, and ordered him Three Months Imprisonment.

We hear from the Commonwealth of Letters that A. B. G. and R. are strongly suspected of Colloquing with the D. (who are now under Prosecution for Pick-pockets) against G. B. and that the ——— who are prodigiously long sighted, are resolved to see the Bottom of this Affair. *This causes many Speculation.*

'Tis also reported that 70 Clerks belonging to the South Sea Company, will be discharged very suddenly.

We hear that the South Sea Dividend, for Christmas last, will be made partly in Stock, and partly in Money, but how much per Cent. is not yet known.

'Tis said the Transfer Books of the South Sea House, will not be opened before the 1st of this Month.

We hear that one of the Clerks at the South Sea House, has embezzled 6000 l. of the Company's Money; for which he is now under Examination, and may soon be under Prosecution.

On Saturday last the Coroner's Inquest, sat on the Body of Capt. Wicks the Half-pay Officer, mentioned above, to be killed in Racket-Court, and brought in their Verdict willful Murder. One Hargrave, who is said to have committed the Fact, has made his escape.

There are Letters from France, which tell us that the Account of *Gao Jouis*, being imprisoned, and afterwards raked, is altogether groundless; and that on the contrary, he had shewn them an English Trick for their Money, having run away from Paris many Months ago, and carried a considerable Quantity of the Government's Cash along with him.

Letters from Peru, relate a particular Piece of Stockjobbing by eight Persons, masked on Horseback, who flopt the Coach passing to Bourdeaux, laden with 20000 Livres in Specie, for Account of several Persons: They took all the ready Cash, and gave the Coachmen Bank Notes for the like Sum; when that was done, they very civilly enquired of the Passengers in the Coach, if they would take ready Money for the Bank Bills they had about them; who answered with great Joy to that Proposal. Accordingly their new set of Stockjobbers told out 10000 Livres to the Passengers, and took their Bank Bills for that Sum.

On Wednesday Richard Hayward and his Wife, who keep the King's Head Tavern in Ruffel Street, near Cowen-Garden, were brought to the King's Bench Bar at Westminster, to receive Judgment upon a Verdict given against them in that Court, in their Suitings after Michaelmas Term last, for keeping a Disorderly House. They are sentenced to stand in the



the Pillory in Covent-Garden, to be imprisoned for Three Months; at the Expiration of which, they are to find Sureties for their good Behaviour for Seven Years after.

There has been exported to France and Holland, since the 31st of January last, no less than Three-Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Three Ounces of Foreign Gold.

The Reverend Dr. Warren, Fellow of Jesus College in Cambridge, is preferred by that College, to the Rectory of Cavendish, in Suffolk, valued at Three Hundred Pounds per Annum.

On Monday Night last, about Nine a Clock, her Grace the Duchess of Manchester departed this Life, at his Grace's Seat at Kimbolton, in Huntingdonshire.

The Right Honourable the Earl Cadogan lies dangerously ill.

Mr. Stogdell is like to be chosen Cashier or Treasurer to the South-Sea Company, in the Room of Mr. Knight.

On Wednesday last the condemned Malefactors, mentioned in our former, were executed at Tyburn; and the College of Physicians having had a warrant signed by the Sheriffs, for one Body, have got that of Butler's.

The Marquis del Campo, an East-India Ship, is arrived at Offend.

The Beginning of this Week, a Midwife was committed to Newgate, for endeavouring, in Concert with a kept Lady, to impose a Child on a Gentleman, who was very desirous of Heirs.

For these Three Days past Sir John Blunt has been under Examination before the Secret Committee, who adjourned from Bonadstreet to the Speaker's Chamber.

'Tis said, the Calicoe Bill is to take place from Midsummer come Twelve Month.

The Lord Viscount Townshend, is appointed Secretary of State, in the room of the Earl of Stanhope. Deceased; and Yesterday Morning took Possession of the Office; his Lordship continues the two under Secretaries, and all the Clerks.

A Confirmation is come that Mr. Robert Knight, late Cashier of the South-Sea Company, is taken in Flanders; and we are inform'd that Messengers are dispatch'd to bring him over.

On Saturday last was received at the Bank, the Remainder of the Bill, which Capt. Hedges, above spoke of, had Fifty pounds endorsed off of the Day before, which encreases much the Suspicion of the Captain's being Murdered.

On Wednesday Mr. Timothy Child, an eminent Book-seller, and Brother-in-Law to the Lord Bishop of Bangor, departed this Life.

Thursday, there was a General Court of the South Sea Company, when the Draught of a Petition prepared by Order of the new Directors, and designed to be presented to the Parliament, was read to them; wherein they pray to be reliev'd in several Inconveniences, which the Mismanagement of the late Directors had brought upon the Company, particularly, in the Debt of 7 Millions and a Half to the Government, &c. and the Court unanimously agreed that the said Petition should be deliver'd as drawn up, or left to the Directors to alter or amend any Part as they saw good for the Advantage of the Company; and agreed likewise to empower their Directors to act in that Affair for the Good of the Company with the same Unanimity.

Portsmouth, Feb. 6. Yesterday and this Day sailed all the Men of War bound to Africa and the Indies, (except the Shoram, which is in the Dock for some Repairs) together with the Ships of these Companies. They are all out of sight, and have a fine Gale at N. N. E. Remain at Spithead, the Guernsey and Panther.

Portsmouth, Feb. 6. Yesterday in the Evening his Majesty's Ship the Guernsey followed the rest of the Ships mentioned in my last to be sailed for India. Wind N. W.

Deal, Feb. 6. Came down and sailed the Ruffei Galley, Capt. Ayres, for Cadix, and May Flower, Capt. Norris for Guinea. Wind N. E.

Deal, Feb. 7. Outward-bound the Antegoa Merchant, Capt. Jones, for Antegoa; Unity, Capt. Albenor, for Virginia; and the Herle Galley, Capt. Herle, for Leghorn.

Yesterday the Prices of Goods at Bear Key were as follow:

Wheat	17 s. to 30 s. per Quarter.
Rye	14 s. to 15 s.
Barley	17 s. to 19 s.
Malt	14 s. to 25 s.
Oats	8 s. to 13 s.
Beans	18 s. to 24 s.
Hay Pease	16 s. to 18 s.
Rape-seed	13 l. to 14 l. per Last.
Hops	21 s. to 3 l. 10 s.
Cash	27 s. to 29 s.
Colchester Cr. Bays	15 d. 3 Farth. per Ell.
Ditto, 6 Seas	14 d. dit. — and 17 s. per Piece.

Christen'd Males 191. Females 177. In all 369.

Buried Males 160. Females 194. In all 354.

Interred in the Burials this Week 34.

Casualties, Drowned accidentally in a Pond by the breaking of Ice at St. Leonard in Shoreditch 2. Found dead at St. Margaret in Westminster 1. Hang'd himself (being drunk) at St. Andrew in Holborn 1. Kill'd with a Sword at St. Brides 1. (buried at St. Ann in Black Fryars.) Overlaid 1.

South Sea Books that. 1st, 2d, 3d and 4th Subscriptions, No Price. Bank 140, India 145 to 147. African 35. Unsubscrib'd Lottery-Annuity 96. York Buildings 24 and a half to 24 3 qrs. Royal Exchange Assurance 6 1 qr. London Ditto 6 1 half.

## ADVERTISEMENTS.

*This Day is published,*

555 A Letter to the Author of the London Journal, containing Objections against the present Scheme, to empower the Three Companies to take in part of the Publick Debts. With a just Calculation of the Value of 100l. Capital, when divided among the said Companies. To which is added, an Equitable Proposal for Restoring of Publick Credit.

O Companies, Companies, ye Bane of Honesty, and Ruin Trade! but the Marbot of Jobbers, the Harrosh of Managers, and the Tools of Knaves and Traitors!

London Journal.

Sold by A. Dodd without Temple-Bar. Price 3d. Where may be had the Political Letters in the London Journal complete to Jan. 28. 1721. With the Humorous Letters. Price 1 s. each.

*This Day is published,*

555 A Sermon preached before the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled, at the Collegiate Church of St. Peter's Westminster, on Monday January 30 1720-1. Being the Anniversary of the Martyrdom of King Charles the First. By Benjamin Lord Bishop of Bangor. Printed for James Knapton, at the Crown; and Timothy Child, at the White-Hart, in St. Paul's Church-yard. Price Four Pence.

*This Day is published,*

555 The Vertue and Use of Coffee, with regard to the Plague, and Other Infectious Distempers: Containing the most remarkable Observations of the greatest Men in Europe concerning it, from the first Knowledge of it, down to this present Time. To which is prefixed, an exact Figure of the Tree, Flower, and Fruit, taken from the Life. By R. Bradley, Fellow of the Royal Society. Printed by Eman. Matthews, at the Bible in Paternoster-Row; and W. Mears, at the Lamb without Temple-Bar. 1721. Price Six-pence.

To be sold, at Fifteen Pence each, Half-penny Dozels, and Two Shillings and Three-pence each Piece.

A French ravel of the best Hungary Water that ever was imported from Montpellier; its Vertues will be best known by its Use, so that many Words in the Praise of it are altogether needless, since after Experiment it will be found so effectual in plumping and smoothing the Face, and carrying off all outward Defilements of the Skin, as well as removing several inward Maladies, with which the Fair Sex is aggrieved, if taken according to the Directions given with it. It is sold at so low a Price, little higher than prime Cost, only to prevent Impositions by Counterfeits and Prebenders to Importations; when it can be proved, that two other Advertisers of the same Nature vend their Home made adulterated Ware for that of Foreign Growth. To be had only from John Cluer at the Printing-Office in Bow-Church-yard, Cheapside, and Thomas Heath, Mathematical Instrument-maker, next the Fountain Tavern in the Strand.

\* \* Whereas Mr. Normand Cary did advertise the Publick, in the Daily-Courant, of the 8th of October last, That he was taking down his fine Bed, at Somerset House; and that as soon as he could find a convenient Place for setting up the same, he would give Notice thereof to the Publick, that all Persons may have the Pleasure of seeing the most curious, as well as the most elegant Piece of Furniture that ever was. This Bed is wrought with the most beautiful Feathers of divers Colours, woven into a Stuff: so that the Curtains are as light, and as manageable, as if they were of Damask. There are Six Curtains, which, together, take in the Compass of Thirty Four Feet; and the Bed may be raised from Sixteen to Eighteen Feet in Height. The several Parts of it are diversify'd by different Designs; the Ground of which resembles a white Damask, interspersed with Silver; and each Design is compos'd of Ornaments, that support Vases of Flowers and Fruits: Each Curtain has a Purple Border of a Foot Broad, branched with Flowers clouded with Scarlet: The Valences and Bases are likewise bordered with Purple, and flowered in the same Manner, and enriched with a Fringe of tufted Feathers: The Cornices answer to the Curtain Borders: The Corners of the Bedstead, and the Four Vases, which rest on the Tresters, are adorned with Festoons and Flowers in Relief. In short, This is such a curious Piece of Workmanship, as cannot be paralleled by any Hand whatsoever. This, with several other curious and beautiful Pieces of the same Kind as the said Bed, are to be seen at Kewes-Chapin, in the Strand, in that Part, which Mr. Bews, the Book-seller, lately had. There are likewise several fine Pictures, by the best Hands, (viz.) Raphael, Rubens, Paul Veronese, Tintoretto, Salvator Rosso, &c. and other Curiosities; being all to be sold, and seen at any Hour of the Day, each Person paying Two Shillings and Six-pence.

Seeing

3<sup>d</sup> Seeing in the Preamble of an Act pass'd in the 14<sup>th</sup> Car. 2<sup>d</sup>. 'tis declared, that the Publick Honour, Wealth, and Safety of this Realm, as well in the Maintenance and Support of Navigation, as in many other Respects, doth in an high degree depend upon the Improvement and Encouragement of the Fishery: And seeing the Way to all this Honour, Wealth, and Safety is so plain and easy; that by only a frugal and industrious Management of Affairs, we may quickly become sole Masters of the Fishing Trade: This is to give Notice, that the Merchants Trading therein are ready and willing to treat with any Owners (or Masters) of Ships, either to purchase or hire such as are useful for the Fishery; and will likewise treat with any Person or Persons (relating) or belonging to the Fishing Trade or the Manufacture thereof, at the North-Sea House in Grace-Church Street, London, on Mondays and Fridays.

To be LEFT

4<sup>th</sup> A very good House, either by Lease, or by the Year, for any Business, being the Golden-Key, on Ludgate-Hill, having been a Woollen-Draper's for many Years.

Just published the following Books.

Printed for W. CHURCHWOOD, at Cato's Head, in Russell-Street, Covent-Garden, viz.

4<sup>th</sup> I. Duffey's Poetical Works. The Two Queens of Bernand, or Bayes no Poetaster, being the Sequel to the Rehearsal, a Comedy. The Grecian Heroine, or the Fate of Tyranny, A Tragedy. The Triumph of Bacchus, an Opera. The Athenian Jilt, or Intriguing Cullies. The Plague of Impertinence, or a Barber a Fury. Socrates and Timander, or Love the best Philosopher; with Poems on several Occasions. Price 5 s.

II. Novels, Tales, and Stories, (never Printed in English before) written by that Celebrated Wit of France, the Countess d'Anous, in 2 Vol. 12°. 1. History of Don Gabrielle. 2. The Royal Rans. 3. The Story of Finetta, the Cinder Girl. 4. The Palace of Revenge. 5. The Story of Anguilla. 6. The History of Don Ferdinand, of Toledo. 7. The Story of the Yellow Dwarf. 8. The Story of Young and Handsome. 9. The History of the New Gentleman Citizens. 10. The Story of the White Cat. 11. The Story of Fortuna the Fortunate Knight. 12. The Story of the Pidgeon and Dove. 13. The Story of Prince's Fair-Sea and Prince Cherry. 14. The Story of the Princess Carpathene. 15. Perfect Love, a Story. 5 s.

III. The Voyages and Adventures of Capt. R. Fall containing the Laws, Customs, and Manners of the I. *by Capt. R. Fall* his being thrown on One of the *Alamo* Islands, his remarkable Difficulties there, and his wonderful Escape from thence; with a true and particular Account of the first Discovery, Peopling, and Planting the Island of Madera; written originally in Portuguese, by Don Francisco de Alcatrazado, and done into English, by W. Mufgrave, Native of Jamaica. 5 s.

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5<sup>th</sup> At Four Shillings per Pound, which in Forty Years private Experience and Ten Years Publication, are approved of, used, and recommended, by a great many of the Nobility, to be a certain Cure for any Cold, old or new Scurfies, Worms, or Bots, are better than any Cordial Drink, and not half the Price. Also his extraordinary Preparation of Antimony, at Five Shillings per Pound, which prevents Grease falling to, or Stiffness in the Limbs after hard Ridings, cures those that are greated, though never so bad; disperses all Knots and Swellings; preserves the Eyes; purifies the Blood better than purging; cures the Hile-bound, makes ruff Coats, occasioned by Surfeits, lie fine and smooth, kills all sorts of Worms, with many other peculiar Virtues, better experienced than expressed, are only prepared by Samuel Gibson, Druggist, at the Angel and Crown in Lombard-Street, London, are sold there by him, and at Moor's Coffee House, in York, with printed Directions. N. B. By using these Medicines Spring and Fall there is no need of purging, and Travellers may save many Horfes by having them on the Road, the Operation being immediate and certain in the Gripes, or loss of Appetite from Sickness or Over-work.



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ALL that are distressed to the last Degree with the French Disease, or any Symptom of it, and try'd Salvation, the Specifick, and Arcanum, and all the Diet-Drinks, with all the other Mercurial Slip Slops, and tired with taking Medicines to no Purpose, may have a safe, speedy, cheap, and private Cure: A Clap or Running of the Reins is cured in a few Days, without Hindrance of Business, and so private, that the most Intimate cannot take Notice of it. Note, Those that live in the Country may send and be furnished with six Dozes for five Shillings, that Cure all Symptoms of the French Disease, Rheumatism, or Scurvy, and will do you more Service in all the aforesaid Distempers, than any twelve Dozes sold in England.

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